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REFERENCE TO RADAR TRACKING ON RUSSIAN EQUIPMENT IN CUBA

Between 13 and 17 April 1962 radar tracking activities were mentioned in Cuban internal plaintext communications. These were accompanied by references to equipment designators which, in the past, have equated to known Russian radar sets. This is the first occurrence noted of references to either radar tracking or to Russian radar equipment in Cuban internal traffic.

On 13 April 1962 a schedule was published that mentioned P-20 and P-8 "sets" [REDACTED] Initial analysis suggested these were radio sets. Subsequent research revealed that P-20 and P-8 are Russian-made non-communication emitters, and that the schedule was a radar search schedule for them. P-20 and P-8 have been given the US nicknames TOKEN and KNIFEREST A.

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